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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 99B140

First Inventor or Application Identifier Antulio TARZONA

Title Improvements In Valves

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS
See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ * Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 9]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 1]
4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages]
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)
 - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
 - b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
 - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
9. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☐ * Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application
(PTO/SB/09-12) Status still proper and desired
14. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☐ Other:

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 First Named Inventor Antulio TARAZONA
 Examiner Name N/A
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| 101 | 760 | 201 | 380 | Utility filing fee | 710.00 |
| 106 | 310 | 206 | 155 | Design filing fee | |
| 107 | 480 | 207 | 240 | Plant filing fee | |
| 108 | 760 | 208 | 380 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 114 | 150 | 214 | 75 | Provisional filing fee | |

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 710.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Extra Claims Fee from below Fee Paid
 Total Claims 11 -20**= 0 x =
 Independent Claims 1 -3**= 0 x =
 Multiple Dependent = 0.00

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| Large Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|---|----------|
| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 | |
| 102 | 78 | 202 | 39 | Independent claims in excess of 3 | |
| 104 | 260 | 204 | 130 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | |
| 109 | 78 | 209 | 39 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent | |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent | |

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--|----------|
| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | 0.00 |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet. | 0.00 |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | 0.00 |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | 0.00 |
| 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | 0.00 |
| 113 | 1,840* | 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | 0.00 |
| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | 0.00 |
| 116 | 380 | 216 | 190 | Extension for reply within second month | 0.00 |
| 117 | 870 | 217 | 435 | Extension for reply within third month | 0.00 |
| 118 | 1,360 | 218 | 680 | Extension for reply within fourth month | 0.00 |
| 128 | 1,850 | 228 | 925 | Extension for reply within fifth month | 0.00 |
| 119 | 300 | 219 | 150 | Notice of Appeal | 0.00 |
| 120 | 300 | 220 | 150 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | 0.00 |
| 121 | 260 | 221 | 130 | Request for oral hearing | 0.00 |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | 0.00 |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | 0.00 |
| 141 | 1,210 | 241 | 605 | Petition to revive - unintentional | 0.00 |
| 142 | 1,210 | 242 | 605 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | 0.00 |
| 143 | 430 | 243 | 215 | Design issue fee | 0.00 |
| 144 | 580 | 244 | 290 | Plant issue fee | 0.00 |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | 0.00 |
| 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | 0.00 |
| 126 | 240 | 126 | 240 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | 0.00 |
| 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 0.00 |
| 146 | 760 | 246 | 380 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | 0.00 |
| 149 | 760 | 249 | 380 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | 0.00 |
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